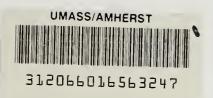
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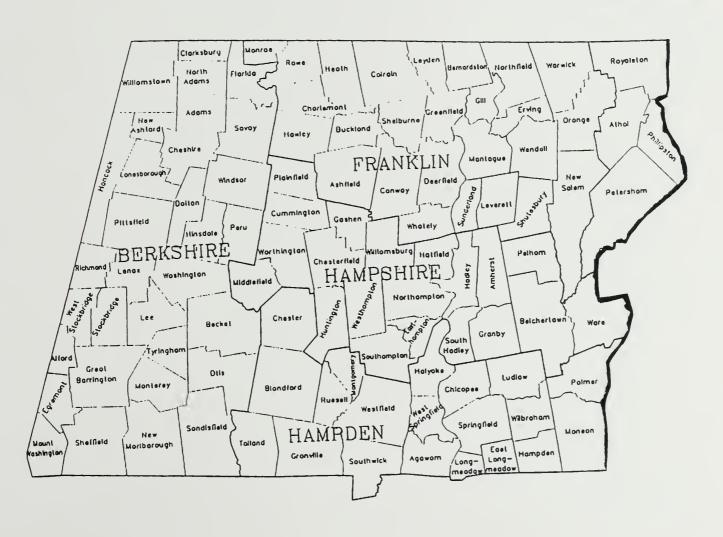
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MASSACHUSETTS COMMUNITY BASED EMPLOYMENT PROVIDERS

This manual provides information needed when seeking provider services for people with disabilities. These programs offer employment services.

For your convenience, they are arranged in alphabetical order.

If you have questions, please call the
Office of Employment Services
at the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission:
(617) 204 - 3854

For further service directory information please call: the New England Index at: (617) 642 - 0248

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ACE Employment Services, Inc. 77 Mill Street Westfield, MA 01085

Contact:

Program Supervisor

(413) 568-2941

Description of Services: Educates and trains individuals with disabilities. Job coaching and supported employment. Community integration a goal.

Waiting List:

No

Contracts With:

DMR, DMH

Referrals Accepted:

Direct and Indirect

Aditus P.O. Box 368 165 Front Street Chicopee, MA 01014

Contact: Vocational Service Coordinator

(413) 594-5276

Description of Services: Provides services for individuals who are trying to find employment in their community. Offers job search and placement; i.e. competitive, supported employment.

Waiting List: No

Contracts With: DMR

Referrals Accepted: Direct

Berkshire County ARC PO Box 2 Pittsfield, MA 01202

Contact: Day Program Coordinator

(413) 499-4241 ext 240

Description of Services: Provides vocational assessment, job placement, on the job training & follow along services. Goal to develop employment opportunities for each individual in the community with appropriate supports.

Waiting List: No

Contracts With: MRC, DMR, MCB

Berkshire Vocational Services 141 North Street Pittsfield, MA 01201

Contact:

Manager

(413) 448-5356

Description of Services: Provides employment and training services to people with disabilities.

Waiting List:

No

Contracts With:

DMR, MRC

Referrals Accepted:

Direct and Indirect

Meridian/Berkshire Vocational Services

The following services are offered to all participants:

- · Development of vocational profile
- · Interview training
- Resume writing
- Job retention skills training
- On-the-job orientation and/or training (various length of time)
- · Long-term follow-up

For more information please contact our main office at:

Berkshire Vocational Services 141 North Street Pittsfield, MA 01201 (413) 448-5356 Meridian Employment 62 Federal Street Greenfield, MA 01302 (413) 773-0070

P. O. Box 810.69 Market Street Northampton, MA 01061

Contact: Executive Director

(413) 584-5627

Description of Services: Provide education, training and support to integrate qualified people with disabilities into the workforce.

Waiting List: No

Contracts With: DMH, DMR, MCB, MRC

Community Enterprises, Inc. 17 New South Street Northampton, MA 01060

Contact: Program Director

(413) 584-1460

Description of Services: Employment and training

to people with disabilities.

Waiting List: Yes

Contracts With: DMH, DMR, MCB

Referrals Accepted: Direct

Community Options 115 N. Main Street Belchertown, MA 01007

Contact:

Assistant Program Manager

(413) 323-9681

Description of Services: Provides supported employment services. Also provides job development and transportation. Facilitates ,when needed, supports of employers.

Waiting List:

No

Contracts With:

DMR

Referrals Accepted:

Direct

Comprehen. Employ. Opportunities 260 Worthington Street suite 307 Springfield, MA` 01103

Contact: Program Director

(413) 788-6986

Description of Services: Provides vocational evaluation, counseling, job analysis, job modification, placement and medical care management. Services provided to any individual disabled by injury or trauma occuring as a result of work-related, auto, home, or property accidents.

Waiting List: No

Contracts With: DMR, DSS, MRC

Referrals Accepted: Direct

For Community Services, Inc. 75 Litwin Lane Chicopee, MA 01020

Contact: Director of Voc. Services

(413) 592-6142

Description of Services: Offering assessment, job training and employment in group and individual settings.

Waiting List: Yes

Contracts With: MRC, LEA

Referrals Accepted: Indirect

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75 LITWIN LANE
CHICOPEE, MA 01020
(413) 592-6142

Offering assessment, job training and employment in group and individual settings
Sites:

Chicopee
West Springfield
Holyoke
Westover Air Reserve Base
Palmer

Goodwill Industries 285 Dorset Street Springfield, MA 01108

Contact:

Program Director

(413) 788-6984 ext 230

Description of Services: Provides supported employment, transitional employment, structured employment, and on the job training. Also, provides respite service, foster care, residential and individual supports.

Waiting List:

No

Contracts With:

DMR, MRC, MCB

Referrals Accepted:

Indirect

Goodwill Industries of Berkshires 20 Commercial Street Pittsfield, MA 01201

Contact:

Program Coordinator

(413) 442-0061

Description of Services: Community Based

Employment.

Waiting List: Yes

Contracts With: MRC

Green River House 37 Franklin Street Greenfield, MA 01301

Contact: Director

(413) 774-2181

Description of Services: A community based clubhouse program that serves and supports adults with mental illness. Rehabilitative, social, vocational, educational and recreational activities. Has 3 major programs: Work Training, Transitional Employment and Social/Educ.

Waiting List: No

Contracts With: DET, DMH

Human Resources Unlimited 120 Maple Street, Suite 400 Springfield, MA 01103

Contact: Director of MR services

(413) 739-5666

Description of Services: Provides employment, training, job support, readiness and placement services to individuals with mental illness, mental retardation and other disabilities.

Waiting List: Yes

Contracts With: DMH, DMR, MRC

Leslie Educational Alternative 450 Cottage Street Springfield, MA 01104

Contact:

Program Manager

(413) 737-5376

Description of Services: Residential and day services for people with mental retardation. Limited employment services: supported work and supported employment.

Waiting List:

Yes

Contracts With:

DMR

Referrals Accepted:

Direct

Lighthouse 235 Chestnut Street Springfield, MA 01103

Contact:

Program Director

(413) 736-8974

Description of Services: Program is for individuals with mental illness and is funded by DMH.

Waiting List: Yes

Contracts With: DMH

Meridian Assoc. for Programs 141 North Street Pittsfield, MA 01201

Contact: Program Director

(413) 448-5354

Description of Services: Day program provides day treatment services to persons who reside in Meridian Associates residential program. Residential and job placement services available.

Waiting List: No

Contracts With: DMH, DMR, MRC

Referrals Accepted: Indirect

Microtek, Inc. 63 1/2 Main Street Chicopee, MA 01020

Contact:

Personnel Manager

(413) 594-5116

Description of Services: An electronics company which employs 60 individuals, 15 with severe developmental disabilities. Intensive training and supervision is provided. Goals center on increasing each individual's time in production and training to increase wages & integration.

Waiting List: Yes

Contracts With: DMR

Referrals Accepted: Indirect

N.E. Business Associates 380 Union Street Suite 222 West Springfield, MA 01089

Contact:

Program Director

(413) 746-0600

Description of Services: Assists people with disabilities to find competitive community based employment. Offers training, career development and supported employment.

Waiting List:

No

Contracts With:

DMR

Referrals Accepted:

Direct and Indirect



Quabbin House 429 School Street Athol, MA 01331

Contact:

Program Director

(508) 249-2074

Description of Services: A Fountain House model clubhouse program serving mental health consumers. Its goals are to help its members return to work, school and socially satisfying lives in a small supportive family style environment.

Waiting List: No

Contracts With: DMH

Referrals Accepted: Direct

Quabbin House

A Fountain House model Clubhouse offering Vocational, Educational and Social Support.

429 School St. Athol, MA 01331 508-249-2074



Riverbrook Residential Facility Ice Glen Road Stockbridge, MA 01262

Contact:

Director

(413) 298-4926

Description of Services: Private year-round residential facility for moderately mentally handicapped women. Emphasis on development of independent living, prevoc. and social skills. Includes involvement in fine, creative, & performing arts.

Waiting List:

No

Contracts With:

DMR

Referrals Accepted:

Direct



Riverside Industries One Cottage Street Easthampton, MA 01027

Contact:

President

(413) 527-2711

Description of Services: Main vocational training units are: custodial, food service, building maintenance, packaging and hand assembly (sheltered work.) Therapeutic services in day habilitation program focus on communication, cognition, self-help and behav. management.

Waiting List: No

Contracts With: DMR, DMH, MRC, LEA

Riverside Industries

Inc.

One Cottage Street Easthampton, MA 01027

Phone: (413) 527-2711 Fax: (413) 529-9715 (800) 339-2711 TTY: (413) 527-4911

www: rivind.org

Contact: Deborah G. Thomas, General Manager

Description of Services for Persons with Disabilities:

Community Services: Supported Employment in other businesses for interested consumers; Elder Services for retirees who want individualized leisure/recreational opportunities. Rehabilitation Services such as Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech/Language Pathology are available to school systems, long-term care facilities and other habilitation programs.

Facility Services: <u>Vocational Training</u>—food services, buildings & lawn maintenance, machine packaging & hand assembly. <u>Therapeutic Services</u> through Day Habilitation—perceptual/fine motor life skills and sensori-integration activities.

Waiting List: No

Contracts With: DMR, DMH, MRC, LEA, DMA Referrals Accepted: Direct and Indirect

Servicenet, Inc. 50 Pleasant Street Northampton, MA 01060

Contact:

Dir. Employment Svcs

(413) 586-5548

Description of Services: A membership group called Starpoint Club, open to people with psychiatric disabilities in Hampshire County. Modeled after Fountain House in NYC, members and staff work side by side to provide service intake and referral & create voc. & soc. opportunity.

Waiting List:

No

Contracts With:

DMH

Referrals Accepted:

Direct

Sheltons P.O. Box 909 40 Dan Shays HW Belchertown, MA 01007

Contact: Program Manager

(413) 323-7720

Description of Services: Provides a variety of work opportunities. People in part of program run their own business. With assistance, including job preparation, consumers enter supported employment and individual competitive employment.

Waiting List: No

Contracts With: DMR, MRC

The May Institute 100 Seaview Street P.O. Box 708 Chatham, MA 02633

Contact: Corporate Vocational Coordinator

(508) 945-1147

Description of Services: Provides supported employment. Identifies jobs in the community. Statewide competitive community based employment. Chatham at above number. West Springfield:(413) 734 0300. SE Mashpee: (508) 539 - 2700, Boston (617) 440 - 0400x228

Waiting List: No

Contracts With: DMR

Referrals Accepted: Direct

Valley Education Associates 320 Avenue A Turners Falls, MA 01376

Contact:

Director

(413) 863-8983

Description of Services: Day program for adults with mental and physical disabilities. Runs sheltered employment, placement and supported employment services for adults with disabilities.

Waiting List:

No

Contracts With:

DMR

Referrals Accepted:

Direct and Indirect

Work Opportunity Center, Inc. 1094 Suffield Street P.O. Box 481 Agawam, Ma 01001

Contact: Director, Client Svcs.

(413) 786-8830

Description of Services: Community based employment for people with developmental disabilities. Provides on-site enclave and supported employment opportunities.

Waiting List: Yes

Contracts With: DMR, LEA, MRC, DMH

Referrals Accepted: Indirect



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